## Check for labels

# Don't seek trouble

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

There are some farm families planting vegetables on soils treated with furadan and/or Ridomil. There is no label for vegetable crops using either of these products.

You could be asking for trouble!

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A "special local needs" label has been approved for orthene applied in the transplant water for tobacco flea bettle control on flue-cured tobacco.

This treatment will provide good early-season control (for about 4 weeks after transplanting). This treatment is also effective against cutworms.

Important–Don't over use orthene–it can be phytotoxic at higher rates. The danger is greater when the amount of water is reduced. For example, there is less danger when 300 gallons of water per acre is used than when only 100 gallons per acre is applied.

Rate of orthene is 1 ounce per acre.

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Cereal leaf beetle damage has been unusually heavy this spring. Eggs are laid over a relatively long period of time. Consequently, the insects are causing heavy losses. Many who should spray have not done so and are seeing the results.

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The Forestry and Wildlife Tour held last Friday was excellent. There were 54 on the tour, but only two landowners from Appomattox County.

Woodlands held by private land owners can be profitable. It will take some effort and planning for this to happen. Consider the timber holdings in the county by companies. If it were not profitable, they would not make the investment.

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**"The South 40"**
**by JAMES A. SMITH**
**EXTENSION AGENT**

There is a technique under study for establishing alfalfa without tillage.

With the threat of another drought, you may want to consider this method, although it is not a recommendation. You may want to try it on a small scale.

It involves seeding sorghum–sudan or similar summer annual for summer feeding. These plants effectively shade out summer weeds, leaves the soil mellow and a favorable condition for seeding.

The suggestions are to make the last cutting by mid-August. Allow the summer annual to make 3 to 4 inches of regrowth, spray with one quart of paraquat per acre. Then seed 15 to 20 pounds of alfalfa per acre using a sod seeder. Apply 15 pounds of granular furadan per acre in the furrow with the seed. A grain drill with double disk openers can be used, but a sod seeder would probably work better.

The necessary lime should be applied before planting the summer annual. The phosate and potash could also be applied now.

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Soil testing has always been an excellent management tool. With lime at $14 to $16 a ton, it is more important.

This spring we've seen barley growing on soils testing 4.6 and alfalfa on soils under 6.0.

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Many years ago I saw a disease of wheat called "Take-All." This past week I found it in an Appomattox County field. First time that I recall seeing it in this county. A good rotation is the best prevention.

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There is more wheat being harvested as silage than ever this spring. It should be in the soft dough stage when harvested. This is an excellent way of filling silos.

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Water in ponds is dangerously low. Water in Holiday Lake is probably 5 to 7 feet low. We'll need to be conservative with this important commodity as we move into the summer season.

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Some new work at Virginia Tech points out that on soils with low pH, the immediate incorporation of lime and seeding a crop has a marked effect on production.

When only 1,000 pounds of limestone was added to soils with a low pH, corn yields increased from 24 (no lime) to 107 bushels.

We are getting behind with lime use and it will effect the behavior of fertilizer, herbicide and, of course, yields.

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# FHA honored

The Appomattox Senior chapter of the Virginia Association, Future Homemakers of America, received the Outstanding Chapters award during the annual Awards Day program at Appomattox County High School.

The Appomattox chapter received this award for accomplishments this year in working in the areas of personal development, strengthening home and family living, community involvement, and jobs and careers.

Joan Williams, chapter president, representing the 114 members of the Appomattox chapter, accepted the award. Mrs. Betty Jo Smith is chapter adviser and a home economics teacher at the high school.

## *Historical Society to meet*

The Appomattox County Historical Society will hold their quarterly meeting on Monday, June 8. All members are invited to bring a covered dish and meet at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Cecil Crawley off Route 631.

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## Richard Conner named winner in FFA contest

Richard Conner, an Appomattox County High School sophomore, has been named winner of the FFA award for turf and landscape management. Richard, 16, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Conner, Appomattox, VA.

The proficiency award for turf and landscape management is a special project of the Naitonal FFA Foundation sponsored by O. M. Scott and Sons Co.

Richard has gained many significant skills and competencies through his supervised occupational experience program in turf and landscape management.

His accomplishments will be judged along with those of five other area winners for the state award. The state award will be a program feature of the 1981 State FFA Convention at Blacksburg, June 16-19.

The work of the Appomattox FFA chapter in farm forestry has been judged best in Southside Area. The chapter forestry award is sponsored by the Virginia Forestry Association.

The 212 member chapter had 147 students conducting forestry projects as a part of their occupational experience programs. The chapter conducted a local forestry judging contest and sent six members to federation contest and three members to state forestry judging contest. The chapter sponsored chain saw safety and maintenance instruction for 104 members. Over 12,000 pine seedlings were planted by members this year.

The accomplishments of the chapter will be considered along with those of five other area winners in determining the state winner. Presentation of the state award will be a feature of the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg, June 16-19.

## Leslie Spiggle named to board

Leslie M. Spiggle, Distribubution Center Manager for the Super Dollar Stores, Inc. in Raleigh has been named to the Board of Directors of the Charlotte Freight Association.

The Charlotte Freight Association is composed of persons, firms, partnerships or corporations engaged in the business requiring shipment or receipt of freight moving between points in the United States.

Spiggle attended classes at the University College, Richmond, Virginia where he studied transportation. He is a member and past president of the Delta-Nu-Alpha Transportation Fraternity. Spiggle will continue his present duties as Distribution Center Manager of the Super Dollar Stores.

Spiggle is a former Appomattox resident.

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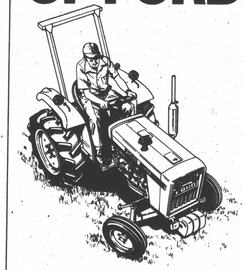

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# 60 seconds about Coleman

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RAISED: Waynesboro, Virginia.
EDUCATION: Waynesboro Public Schools.
University of Virginia.
University of Virginia Law School.
MILITARY SERVICE: United States Marines, Vietnam.
PUBLIC SERVICE: Virginia House of Delegates.
(First elected in 1972; re-elected in 1973.)
Virginia State Senate.
(Elected in 1975)
Virginia Attorney General.
(Elected in 1977)

- ☐ Only Republican Attorney General of Virginia in this century.
- ☐ Chief Legal Advisor to Governor Dalton.
- ☐ Represented Virginia before the United States Supreme Court to overturn federal regulations against Virginia's coal industry.
- ☐ Represented the citizens of Virginia before the Virginia Supreme Court to overturn the early release of drug smugglers sentenced for up to twenty-five years but let out after only one.
- ☐ Outspoken advocate of tough and uniform sentencing with no early releases.

Marshall Coleman is a son of Virginia. His father died when he was nine, so he's had to work for everything he's ever gotten. He's worked his way up the political ladder and has been tested every step of the way. Now he's running for Governor to keep a good thing going. And he's ready for the job.

We invite Mr. Coleman's opponent to present similar biographical information to the voters.

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Keep a good thing going.

By authority of Friends of Marshall Coleman, John Dalton, Chairman; Stan Maupin, Treasurer.



# Local dogs shown

The 11th Annual 4-H Dog Show was held last week on the athletic field at Appomattox Middle School. Twenty-seven 4-H'ers participated in this year's show which was sponsored by Lawson Ford., Inc.

Beverly Carter's Pomeranian received the Best in Show trophy that was presented by Mrs. Dot Coleman, representing Lawson Ford. Beverly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carter.

Other trophy winners in last week's show include: **Sporting Dogs:** Kathy Bryan; **Working Dogs:** Robin Miller; **Hounds:** Jonathan White; **Terriers:** Dawn Dawson; **Toy Dogs:** Beverly Carter ; **Non-Sporting Dogs:** David Fedison.

Winners in the Showmanship and Grooming classes included: **Laann Crain, Megan O'Donnell** and **Jonathan White.** The top award in the costume class went to **Jeannine Bartek.**

Special fun classes were also held for the friendliest dog, blackest dog, dog with most spots, whitest dog, and best trick performed by a dog.

In addition to the above trophy winners, the following 4-H'ers participated in the 4-H Dog Show: Laura Carter, Ralph Carter, Joe Servis, Julie Youngblood, Jim Kennon, Brent Haworth, Heather Bryan, Jeff Garrett, Larry Harris, Cindy Poole, Wendy Mayberry, Sherri Williams, Melanie Morris, Kim Bonanno, Katrina Archer, Linda Routt, Lisa Harrison and Anne Hancock.

Judges for this year's show were Mr. and Mrs. Rod Dolman of the James River Kennel Club in Lynchburg.

The ribbons and trophies were handled by Ann Nolen and Rhonda Hanson. Refreshments were provided by the Four Leaf Clover 4-H Club.

MRS. DOT COLEMAN of Lawson Ford presents Beverly Carter with the award for Best in Show at the 4-H Dog Show last week.

JONATHAN WHITE was first-place winner in the hound group and junior showmanship winner in the 4-H Dog Show last week.

MRS. DOT COLEMAN of Lawson Ford presents Megan O'Donnell with an award for first place in junior grooming in last week's 4-H Dog Show.

## Four on Dean's List

Four local students were named to the Dean's List at Longwood College during the second semester of the college year, according to a release from Longwood.

**Molly Ruth Handy, Cynthia L. Morris,** and **April M. Largiader (Pamplin)** all made at least a 3.5 grade average on a 4.0 scale.

One student from this area, **Wanda Clack Conner,** got a perfect grade average for the second semester of the college year, a 4.0.

Conner is one of 87 students who made all A's.

There were 311 students of the college's 2400 enrollment who made Dean's List. (3.5 or better GPA).

## *Moses elected to board*

The Patrick Henry Boys Plantation Board of Directors and Trustees met and elected three new members to the Board of Trustees: Mrs. Charles W. Glenn of Farmville, Mrs. A. Kenneth Scribner, Sr. of Portsmouth and Col. John Bex of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

The Executive Board members re-elected were J. K. Andrews, president, Brookneal; W. P. Guthrie and John C. Rudd, vice presidents, Brookneal; S. Frank Pratt; Aubrey L. Mason and Robert C. Watts, Jr., vice presidents, Lynchburg; J. C. Riepe, Jr., Treasurer, Charlotte Court House; and Benny C. Rogers, Brookneal, secretary.

Directors elected were Mr. E. R. English, Altavista; C. R. Carson, Sr., Concord; Mrs. William P. Williams, Brookneal; and W. E. "Bill" Jamerson, Appomattox.

Trustees re-elected were B. F. Ginther, Jr. and R. D. Williams, Jr., Brookneal; Mrs. Edward S. Barber, Arlington; Hon. W. C. "Dan" Daniel, Danville; W. C. Ward, Jr., Keysville; George Spaulding and Robert L. Wallace, Chase City; Edward Alfriend, Alexandria; Mrs. Howard P. Anderson and Mrs. Paul Edmunds, Sr., Halifax; Mrs. Frank Driver, Weyers Cave; William R. Bondurant and Hon. Joseph P. Crouch, Lynchburg; Mrs. W. T. Coyner, Waynesboro; Hon. W. H. Overbey and Mrs. C. I. Anderson, Rustburg; Edward M. Henry, Ft. Myers, Florida; Mrs. Lee W. Shaffer, Roanoke; Grover C. Thomas, Monroe; Col. Daniel J. Anderson, Washington, D. C.; F. E. Brown, Forest; T. C. Leggett, South Boston; and Mrs. Norbert Reynolds, Altavista. Elected Trustee Emeritus was Henry E. McWane, Lynchburg and Hon. William M. Tuck, South Boston.

Robert W. McCullough, Executive Director, reported that the Plantation had just completed the most successful and effective year in its history. The program operated at near capacity throughout the year, assisting many children with urgent needs. The new Pratt Administration and Jamerson Dining facility was completed and put into operation and a number of program improvements were implemented.

One of the most significant actions taken by the Board of Directors and Trustees was the establishment of an Advisory Board. The new Advisory Board will eventually have a representative from each county and major city to be liason and representative for the Plantation's program in their respective areas. It is anticipated that his Advisory Board will greatly strengthen the Plantation's organizational structure.

Among those elected to the Advisory Board was Mr. C. T. Moses, Jr. from Appomattox.

## Buckingham club wins

Ecology clubs representing schools across the state were honored last week for their efforts. Dr. Paul Sanders, executive director for keep Virginia beautiful, and Mr. Lance Calisch, grants administrator of the Division of Litter Control, presented the members of the various clubs with their awards. Buckingham High School's Ecology Club won the first place state award.

Mrs. Helen Saxon, the Buckingham club's sponsor, commented that she and the students were very proud of the award, especially since it was the club's first year in existance.

## *WOW slates annual picnic*

The Woodmen of the World Camp 71 and Grove 6073 will have its annual picnic on June 14 at 1:00 p.m.

All ladies are asked to bring their favorite dessert.

## BABY OF THE WEEK

STEPHANIE LYN HARRIS, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Harris of Appomattox, Va. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Crawford (Doc) W. Harris of Gladstone and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Johnson of Appomattox.

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THE PTA INSTALLED OFFICERS on May 21, 1981, at their regular parent-teachers meeting. Dr. A. A. Fratrick, school board chairman, installed the new officers. Pictured, left to right, are Mr. Paul Kvasnicka, president; Mrs. Arlene Stratton, reporter-historian; Mr. Tom Bowmann, vice-president; Mrs. Virginia Goode, secretary; Mrs. Linda Shirey, treasurer; and Dr. Fratrick. A workshop session will be held for the newly installed officers on May 28 to prepare for the 1981-1982 school session.

STUDENTS IN MISS GILLAM's third grade class recently completed a unit of study concerning painting and sketching. Paragraphs and pictures about the lives of famous artists were developed. Weekly spelling tests included names of great painters. Stories created by the students explaining Mona Lisa's famous smile were shared. Illustrations of different types of paintings were exhibited. Highlights of the third graders' art study included two parent presentations. Mrs. Carol Notestein shared slides of Michelangelo's paintings in the Sistine Chapel as well as samples of Italian sculpture. Mrs. Zandra Griffith shared a sketching lesson, presenting types of sketching paper, tools and techniques. With guidance from Mrs. Griffith, third graders in room 2 tried their hand at sketching the human figure. Booklets incorporating the students' work and studies were compiled and displayed.

## Chowan accepts Stewart

Robert Lynn Stewart of Appomattox and a senior at Appomattox High School has been accepted for admissions to Chowan College for the fall semester beginning August 23, 1981.

Chowan College is a two-year, co-educational, residential college. For students wishing to pursue the baccalaureate degree in senior colleges and universities. Chowan College offers thorough educational opportunities in most professional fields. Students whose formal education will not extend beyond the associate degree can enter the world of work in business, accounting, secretarial administraiton (legal and medical), merchandising management, newswriting, advertising, printing · technology, photography, and communication art.

Chowan College had an enrollment of approximately 1,050 students representing 25 states and 14 foreign countries. Chowan offers opportunities in 12 professional fields: business, English, fine arts (music and art), graphic arts, photography, health and physical education, language, mathematics, religion and philosophy, science, and social science.

## *Gary Cheatham's story*

By HARRIET A. CHILTON
Appomattox County Historcial Society

In the October 9, 1980 issue of the **Appomattox Times-Virginian** it was reported that Gary Cheatham had left a surprise bequest of $57,000 to the Lee Tree Wayside at the Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, Appomattox, Virginia, where General Robert E. Lee spoke a few informal words of farewell to his troops on April 9, 1865.

Gary was a relative of mine and I want to share his background with you. My grandfather, Robert Alexander Cheatham and his grandfather, Thomas Henry Alfred Cheatham, were first cousins.

The Cheatham name is an old one in the annals of Appomattox County. Robertson Cheatham and his wife, Martha Susan Elliott, moved here from Chesterfield County in 1790 and bought land on Reedy Creek and Falling River as the country was opening up to settlers. They lived in the part of Appomattox County that was cut off from Campbell County in 1845.

Their son, Robertson Beasley Cheatham, who married Catherine Muckley Harris, lived on Reedy Creek near Spout Spring. His estate was located on the road between Old Concord Presbyterian Church and Reedy Spring Baptist Church. A son of this couple, Thomas Henry Alfred Cheatham, married Sarah Emiline Wood, and lived at his father's homeplace. They called their home "Cheatwood," combining their two names. Cheatwood was the name of a Postoffice from 1894 to 1903 and the Cheatwood Voting Precinct carries the name today.

One of their sons, Harry H. Cheatham, lived in Bluefield, West Virginia but retained his parents' home and held family reunions there for many years. His youngest son was Gary Stuart Cheatham who often visited his grandparents' home here in Appomattox while he was growing up. Gary was born in 1921 in Bluefield and died there on April 19, 1976. He is buried at Old Concord Presbyterian Church, not far from "Cheatwood," as are his father and his paternal grandparents, as well as his great-grandmother, Catherine Harris Cheatham. His only close survivor is a half-sister, Mrs. Martha Cheatham Smith, of Indianapolis, Indiana. He was a first cousin of Owen Robertson Cheatham, founder of Georgia-Pacific Lumber Company, who is buried at New Concord Church near Sherwill.

Gary Cheatham was a clothing salesman, traveling through Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. He was fond of hunting and was an enthusiastic photographer. During vacations he toured the United States in his mobile home. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II.

Gary Cheatham

A school mate in Bluefield recalls that Gary always liked history and was a great admirer of Generi Robert E. Lee. An essay on General Lee which Gary wrote while in school, containing many pictures of the General and his associates, has been donated to the Appomattox County Museum by his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Shaw of Lynch Station, Virginia.

An article in the November 1980 issue of the **National Park Service Courier**, published in Washington, D.C., pays tribute to Gary Cheatham's generous donation and quotes Mr. Shaw as saying that Gary was very much interested in historical things. A cousin of Gary's, Mary Virginia Cheatham, wife of William S. Bahlman who recently retired from the National Park Service, furnished me with a copy of the **Courier** which I have donated to the Appomattox County Library.

Gary's sister, Mrs. Martha Smith, says that she is pleased that Gary's money is to be used in a way that will help the handicapped.

Mitchell Lee Eggleston

## Eggleston graduates from JMU

Mitchell Lee Eggleston, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Eggleston of Appomattox, recently graduated from James Madison University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, majoring in management and economics.

While attending James Madison University, he was a member of the Inter-Hall Council, Phi Beta Lambda business club, and the Commuter Student Committee.

He has accepted a management position with the J. C. Penney Company in Roanoke, Virginia.

## *Walton addresses AARP*

The Pamplin chapter of American Association of Retired Persons met at the Pamplin United Methodist Church in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, May 19 with about 30 people in attendance.

After the group had eaten they were shown slides about the proper way to shop so as not to be cheated, by Mrs. Shirley Walton of the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service.

Mrs. Walton spoke on the subject for about 20 minutes then held a question and answer period.

Mrs. Walton made a big hit with the program she presented so well and the group would like to have her come back again to entertain soon.

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